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PM-1474 Design

Dear Charles:

I enclose a copy of the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated February 10, 1993 for the PM-1474 design application. The issue fee is due by May 10, 1993.

The Examiner has entered an amendment that relates solely to the renumbering of the figures and the embodiments, he has deleted the figures relating to the non-elected embodiments and renumbered accordingly. The Examiner has required that new drawings be submitted reflecting these amended figure numbers. I will attend to obtaining these drawings.

The point that must be addressed before payment of the issue fee is whether or not Philip Morris desires to file any divisional applications directed to the non-elected groups (i.e., Groups II and III). You will recall that the Examiner in his November 24, 1992 Office Action required restriction to one of: Group I (Embodiments 1, 2, and 17-12), Group II (Embodiments 3 and 4), and Group III (Embodiments 5 and 6), and that in our December 17, 1992 Amendment we elected Group I.

Please give me your instructions regarding the filing of any divisional applications directed to Groups II

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or III well before the issue fee due date of May 10, 1993.

Very truly yours,

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